In his "law and order" acceptance speech at the Republican convention on August 8,1968, a speech that was an attack on the courts and the promise of a real drive against crime, Nixon made a pledge that his record requires rewriting:

"I pledge you that our attorney general will be directed to launch a war against organized crime in this nation."From the record, an honest pledge would have been more like "behind our attorney general we will take over organized crime in this nation."

He ned not have restricted it to his attroney general. It was his entire administration, even his closest friend Bebe, who had dealings with organized crime.